

Town of Shelburne NH

2026 Annual Town Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2026 | Shelburne Town Hall, 74 Village Rd, Shelburne NH 03581

Article 01 Elect Officers
 To Choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing (printed ballot).

Shelburne Town Election 2026 Results

Office	Candidate	Votes
Selectperson 3 yrs	George Corriveau	77
	Ronald Baillargeon	11
	Kevin Daniels	17
Town Moderator 2 yrs	Douglas Gralenski	104
Town Clerk 3 yrs	Leona Kealty	106
Trustee of the Trust Fund 3 yrs	Write In: Leona Kealty	1
	Write In: Lucie Kinney	1
	Write In: David Landry	1
	Write In: Deb Brown	4
	Write In: Jo Carpenter	2
	Write In: Joyce Carlisle	1
	Write In: Jen Corrigan	1
	Write In: Meredith Verrell	1
	Write In: George Corriveau	1
Tax Collector 3 yrs	Leona Kealty	106
Town Memorial Forest 3 yrs	Write In: Kevin Daniels	1
	Write In: Doug Gralenski	1
	Write In: Dave Carlisle	1
	Write In: Ken Siminoko	1
	Write In: Tim Buxton	1
	Write In: Josh Labonville	1
	Write In: Olivia Corrigan	1

	Write In: Kim Landry	1
Treasurer 3 yrs	David M. Landry	104
	Write In: Doug Gralenski	2
Cemetery Trustee 3 yrs	David M. Landry	103
	Write In: Doug Gralenski	1
Library Trustee 3 yrs	Christine Baillargeon	92
	Write In: Paula Siminoko	2
Library Trustee 2 yrs	Melanie Devoid	96
	Write In: Christine Baillargeon	1
Library Trustee 1 yr	Kylie Eileen Murphy	99
Supervisor of the Checklist 6 yrs	Cheryl Emerson	104
Budget Committee 3 yrs	Francis Chamberlain	105
School Board Member 3 yrs (Shelburne GRS Cooperative)	Tim Buxton	106

Article 02 Approve Zoning Amendments
To see if the Town will VOTE TO APPROVE the proposed amendments to the Zoning Ordinance (printed ballot).

Election Results: 107 Ballots cast Yes: 43 No: 44 Abstentions: 20

The Proposed Zoning Amendment did not pass.

Article 03 Hear Reports of Officers
To hear such reports of Town Officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Reports were printed in the 2024 Town Report.

The meeting portion was called to order at 7:00 pm by Moderator Douglas Gralenski.

Article 04 Operating Budget
To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE the sum of \$635,118 for General Operation.

[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee do recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

4130 Executive	\$45,560
4140 Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics	\$31,976
4150 Financial Administration	\$42,505
4152 Revaluation of Property	\$12,000
4153 Legal Expense	\$9,500
4155 Employee Benefits	\$83,650

4191 Planning and Zoning	\$3,950
4194 General Government Buildings	\$67,375
4195 Cemetery	\$2,000
4196 Insurance	\$24,339
4197 Regional Association	\$648
4215 Ambulance	\$66,537
4220 Fire Department	\$40,200
4221 Fire Warden	\$2,500
4240 Building Inspection	\$4,095
4290 Emergency Management	\$2,300
4312 Highway	\$99,800
4324 Solid Waste Disposal	\$38,150
4414 Animal Control	\$200
4415 Health	\$950
4444 Welfare	\$5,883
4520 Parks & Recreation	\$3,000
4550 Library	\$0
4590 Memorial Forest	\$500
4611 Conservation Commission	\$600
4711 Principal Long-term Note	\$2,206
4721 Interest Long-term Note	\$264
4722 Lease Payment	\$44,430
4723 TAN Note	\$0

Moderator Gralenski read through the line items. Ron Baillargeon made the motion to accept and Lucy Evans seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 05 Raise and Appropriate
 To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$2,000 for the maintenance of cemeteries with said funds to come from the Cemetery Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund for this purpose, and no money will be raised by taxation. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$15,028.09)
 [The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

John Carpenter made the motion to accept and Christopher Halle seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 06 Discontinuance of Library
 To see if the Town will VOTE TO DISCONTINUE the Shelburne Library ("the Library"), whose Building and associated land is located at 74 Village Road, Shelburne, NH ("the Building and Land") so that the Building and Land remain owned by the Town but ceased to be used as a Public Library and to authorize the Select Board to take all actions necessary to effectuate that discontinuance, including but not limited to (i) if necessary, to file a Petition with the Circuit Court – Probate Division in Coos County in conjunction with the Charitable Trusts Division of the New Hampshire Department of Justice and/or the Commissioner of Natural and Cultural Resources seeking the Court's authorization/approval to discontinue the Library and to dispose of all remaining library assets, including transferring any remaining funds on hand to the Town's general fund, and (ii) if

Court approval is not necessary, to authorize the Select Board dispose of all remaining library assets, including transferring any remaining funds on hand to the Town's general fund.

[The Board of Selectmen, the Budget Committee, and the Library Trustees recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

John Henne made a motion to accept and Deb Brown seconded. Many were concerned that if there are books with historical value and in particular pertaining to the Town of Shelburne, would they be retained in the Town's possession. The members of the Library committee and Select Board assured that anything of historical value will be retained. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 07

Cyclical Revaluation

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE the sum of \$15,000 for a Full Cyclical Revaluation / Update. \$15,000 to be withdrawn from the Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. No money will come from taxation. This will be a non-lapsing article per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the Update is complete or December 31, 2027, whichever is sooner. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$23,058.81)

[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Ron Baillargeon seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 08

Vote to Change Purpose of ETF, Name Agents, No Appropriation

To see if the town will vote to change the purpose of the existing Energy Expendable Trust Fund to the Office Equipment & Technology Expendable Trust Fund ("the Fund") for the purpose of purchasing and updating office equipment, and to APPOINT the Select Board as agents to expend from this Fund.

[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (2/3 vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Lucy Evans seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed with 37 out of 42 in favor.

Article 09

Raise and Appropriate to CRF

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$5,600 to be added to the existing Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$203,109.36)

[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

John Carpenter made a motion to accept and Kevin Daniels seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 10

Raise and Appropriate to CRF

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$10,500 to be added to the existing Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$7,622.48).

[The Board of Selectmen do not recommend, and the Budget Committee recommends this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Kevin Daniels made a motion to accept and Joyce Carlisle seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed with 1 No Vote.

Article 11 Raise and Appropriate to CRF
To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$50,000 to be added to the existing Heavy Highway Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$56,376.30).
[The Board of Selectboard and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Chris Halle made a motion to accept and Jonathan Thompson seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 12 Raise and Appropriate into CRF
To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$1,000 to be added to the existing Cemetery Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$2,801.73)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Kevin Daniels seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 13 Raise and Appropriate into CRF
To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$2,000 to be added to the existing Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$23,058.81)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Ron Baillargeon seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 14 Raise and Appropriate to CRF
To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$500 to be added to the existing Peabody Farm Museum Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$13,447.86)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Kevin Daniels made a motion to accept and George Corriveau seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 15 Raise and Appropriate to CRF
To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$65,000 to be added to the existing Town Road Paving Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$38,279.14)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Lucy Evans seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 16 Raise and Appropriate to CRF

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$25,000 to be added to the existing Town Building and Renovation Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$33,014.79)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Deb Brown seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 17 Raise and Appropriate to CRF

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$500 to be added to the existing Union Church Building Capital Reserve Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$500.10)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

George Corriveau made a motion to accept and Jonathan Thompson seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 18 Appropriate to CRF from Fund Balance

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$1,200 to be added to the existing Cemetery Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund, previously established, with said funds to come from unassigned fund balance. This represents the sum of money received from the sale of two (2) cemetery lots in 2025. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$15,028.09)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and George Corriveau seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 19 Raise and Appropriate to ETF

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$500 to be added to the existing Household Hazardous Waste Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$2,259.04)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Mike Brosnan seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 20 Raise and Appropriate to ETF

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$1,000 to be added to the existing Sand/Gravel Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$8,513.80)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Chris Halle seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 21 Raise and Appropriate to ETF

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$1,000 to be added to the existing General Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$20,081.08)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Deb Brown seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 22 Raise and Appropriate to ETF

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$8,000 to be added to the existing Police Services Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$19,543.21)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Deb Brown seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 23 Raise and Appropriate to ETF

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$1,000 to be added to the existing New Employee Training Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$15,008.77)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Joyce Carlisle seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 24 Raise and Appropriate to ETF

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$3,000 to be added to the existing Planning & Zoning Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$670.37)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and George Corriveau seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 25 Raise and Appropriate to ETF

To see if the Town will VOTE TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$15,000 to be added to the existing Landfill/Transfer Station Expendable Trust Fund previously established. (12/31/2025 Balance - \$10,039.05)
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and George Corriveau seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 26 Raise and Appropriate by Petition

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for the purpose of supporting the Gorham 4th of July Committee. (by petition).
[The Select Board and the Budget Committee do not recommend this appropriation.] (Majority vote required.)

Jo Carpenter made a motion to accept and George Corriveau seconded. There was discussion presented by Linda Dupont explaining the costs involved in the Fourth of July event and that other surrounding towns have agreed to financially contribute \$1,000 each. The motion passed with 1 No Vote.

Article 27

Vote to Adopt by Petition

To see if the Town will VOTE TO ADOPT the provisions of RSA 41:14-a regarding the Acquisition or Sale of Land, Buildings, or Both; Demolition or Disposal of Buildings. The above referenced RSA reads:

"I. If adopted in accordance with RSA 41:14-c, the select board shall have the authority to acquire or sell land, buildings, or both, and to demolish or otherwise dispose of buildings, provided, however, they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition, sale, demolition, or disposal to the planning board, the conservation commission, the heritage commission, and the historic district commission if the building lies within a defined district for review and recommendation by those bodies, where such board or commissions exist. After the select board receives the recommendation of the planning board, the conservation commission, the heritage commission, and the historic district commission if the building lies within a defined district, where such board or commissions exist, they shall hold 2 public hearings at least 10 but not more than 14 days apart on the proposed acquisition, sale, demolition, or disposal; provided, however, upon the written petition of 50 registered voters presented to the select board, prior to the select board's vote, according to the provisions of RSA 39:3, the proposed acquisition, sale, demolition, or disposal shall be inserted as an article in the warrant for the town meeting. The select board's vote shall take place no sooner than 7 days nor later than 14 days after the second public hearing which is held.

II. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the sale of and the selectmen shall have no authority to sell:

(a) Town-owned conservation land which is managed and controlled by the conservation commission under the provisions of RSA 36-A.

(b) Any part of a town forest established under RSA 31:110 and managed under RSA 31:112.

(c) Any real estate that has been given, devised, or bequeathed to the town for charitable or community purposes except as provided in RSA 498:4-a or RSA 547:3-d.

III. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the demolition or disposal of, and the select board shall have no authority to demolish or dispose of, any real estate that has been given, devised, or bequeathed to the town for charitable or community purposes except as provided in RSA 498:4-a or RSA 547:3-d. (by petition) (Majority vote required.)

George Corriveau made a motion to accept and Ray Danforth seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed with 1 No Vote.

Article 28

Vote to Authorize RSA 31:3

To see if the Town will VOTE TO AUTHORIZE the Selectmen to dispose of Municipal assets (vehicles, recyclables, etc.) under the authority of RSA 31:3. (Majority vote required.)

Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and Joyce Carlisle seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed with 1 No Vote.

Article 29 To Modify Existing Tax Credit
To see if the Town will VOTE TO MODIFY the provisions of RSA 72:35 for an optional tax credit of \$800 for a Service-Connected Total Disability on residential property?
[The Board of Selectmen and the Budget Committee recommend this article.]
(Majority vote required.)
Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and George Corriveau seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Article 30 Transact Any Other Business
To TRANSACT ANY OTHER BUSINESS that may legally come before said meeting.
Jonathan Thompson made a motion to accept and George Corriveau seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

Moderator Gralenski called for a motion to end the town meeting. John Henne made the motion and Katie Stewart seconded. All were in favor and the Shelburne Town Meeting of March 2026 closed.

Jo Carpenter got up and expressed her appreciation on behalf of the Town of Shelburne to Ron Baillargeon for the past three years as one of our Town Selectmen and for all that he has done for the town.

Respectfully submitted,

Town Clerk, Leona Kealty